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# THE IOWAVE



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## War Highlights

### EUROPEAN FRONT

German forces were reported to have taken over communication centers in Sofia, capital of Bulgaria Tuesday night.

It is rumored that this is the beginning of a full-scale drive into Bulgaria such as was sent against Hungary, where the German occupation is meeting some resistance.

Troops under Marshal Tito, leader of the Yugoslav Partisans, attacked a German motorized column, escorted by 50 tanks, which was believed to be driving into Hungary from the south.

### PACIFIC

American troops have landed on Emirau island, 84 miles northwest of Kavieng, the Japanese base on New Ireland.

Kavieng is also under attack by American battleships.

The Emirau operation "completes the isolation of all enemy bases in the Bismarck archipelago and places us within bombing range of Truk," Gen. Douglas MacArthur said.

Emirau is about 600 miles south of Truk, already within range of American planes stationed at recently captured Marshall Islands airfields, east of the Japanese stronghold.

### RUSSIA

Hitler's position in the Balkans is becoming shaky as the Russian armies sweep rapidly into Bessarabia and old Poland.

Russian spearheads were within sight of Brody, 50 miles northeast of Lwow. Berlin said the Russians were attacking Kovel, 100 miles north of Lwow and 500 miles north of Berlin.

### ITALY

The battle for Cassino still rages with German troops clinging to wreckage of the Continental Hotel.

### U. S.

Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., has been replaced as commander of the U. S. Seventh Army by Maj. Gen. Alexander M. Patch, hero of Guadalcanal, headquarters announced Tuesday.

Patton has been given command of "another army" but army officials declined to identify the unit or reveal the general's whereabouts.

## Cadets Share In Seaman Show

This month's Seaman Show may be more correctly termed the "Seaman Program." Due to many extenuating circumstances it has been necessary to change the usual procedure.

The program will be entirely a musical one. Aside from five soloists, (vocal and piano), there is a chorus of excellent voices, many of whom received training in the "Singing Platoon" at USS Hunter.

In addition to all this, the Army Air Corps Cadet "Swing Band" will be on hand to play. This band has fourteen members and is reputedly "one of the best".

The program will be held on 28 March, 1944 at 2015.

### NEW PhM EXPECTED ABOARD

Word has been received by Ensign Bess Campbell, personnel officer that PhM3-c Jane E. Hildebrand will report for duty soon. She is reporting from the Great Lakes Naval Hospital, Great Lakes, Illinois.

### PICTURES AT FRIENDLY HOUR

Guest speaker on the Friendly Hour Sunday evening will be Ens. Helen Berlin, instructor and visual aids officer for this station.

Miss Berlin will talk about Mexico and will show her collection of colored slides taken there.

The Friendly Hour is held in the east lounge Sunday at 1830.

## Lt. Frances Rich Describes WAVES As Being Military But Not Militant

### Parade-Review Will Replace Captain's Inspection Saturday

Weather permitting, a parade-review will be held Saturday morning, 25 March, at 1030 in lieu of the usual captain's inspection. Trainees will form by companies into two battalions on 23rd street, march in front of the men's gymnasium, past the reviewing party, down the highway, and back to Bartlett.

Lt. Mary Kathryn Dougherty, USNR, who is home on leave from her duties in Charleston, S. C. will be the guest of honor. Other members of the reviewing party will be Comdr. E. E. Pettee, commanding officer, and Lt. Elizabeth Hall, officer-in-charge of seamen.

The reviewing party will judge the four companies of the regiment as they march by to determine which company marches best.

Trainees' rooms will be inspected during the review.

In case of bad weather, regular captain's inspection will be held.

### CHIEF PhM (A) REPORTS

Robert E. Brown, Chief Pharmacist's Mate (Acting) reported for duty on board Wednesday. He has been on duty in the So. Pacific.

### Gives Regiment a Vivid Account of WR Activities

Welcome Spring descended on the college campus at Cedar Falls last Saturday and that eternal warmth seemed to fill the air with lusty singing as the WAVES marched along to hear Lt. Frances Rich, daughter of screen and radio actress, Irene Rich, deliver an address in the auditorium building.

### Accompanied by Ensign Staub

Miss Rich, arriving from Des Moines with Ensign H. J. Staub, Naval Procurement Officer, after a trip over icy oads and snow, was gratified by the pleasant change in weather. The entire audience was stimulated by her vivid speech. Introduced by Commander Pettee with a witty comparison of Northampton days when "they joined the WAVES together", Lt. Rich gave a rousing account of her varied trips throughout the United States during the last year. She touched on some of the Naval Stations she had visited and described several interesting anecdotes.

### Yeomen Extending Traditions

"Women in the Navy are military but not militant," seemed the essence of what the WAVES stand and are fighting for. The Yeoman (WR), said Miss Rich, are extending the traditions of the last war (Yeomanettes) and their background is the Navy of which all are a proud part.

In conclusion, Miss Rich wished the students and potential Yeomen success in their naval career. Her talk left everyone in a jubilant mood and will long be remembered.

### Platoon 43 Wins the Oscar On Handbook Test

Platoon 43's cruise aboard the USS BARTLETT promises to be a pleasant one. Lt. Elizabeth Hall, officer-in-charge of seamen, announces that of the six new platoons that logged in from Hunter, Platoon 43 achieved the highest average for the handbook test.

## MOVIES

WEEK END 25-26 MARCH 1944

### SATURDAY

1930—"Lady in the Dark"—a drama with plenty of music, starring Ginger Rogers, Roy Milland, Warner Baxter and Jon Hall, "Unusual Occupations." News Reel.

### SUNDAY

1400—"Up in Arms"—A Samuel Goldwyn Special—Musical—with Danny Kaye, Dinah Shore, Dana Andres, Constance Dowling. "Private Pluto"—A Disney cartoon. "Co-ed Sports"—a Pathe Sportscope.

## USO

WEEK END 25-26 MARCH 1944

Open house as usual Saturday and Sunday from 1300 on. The USO is your home away from home. Meet your friends there, stir up some fudge, pop some corn, or just relax.



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## EDITORIAL

### Mark Time, March!!

Why, why, why? 'Tis a word frequently used to question the reasons for women enlisting in the various branches of the Service. Why is it that women leave a comfortable life as civilians to become regimented, to live, think and act not as an individual but as a group?

It's been said that girls have "joined up" for the glamour of the uniform, for adventure, and even out of curiosity. Actually though, only a small percentage of women enlist for those reasons.

Patriotism is the magnet which has drawn most women into the WAVES, SPARS, MARINES, WACS and other branches of the service. Yet many are unable to put into words that "patriotism" which urged them to enlist.

Before the advent of World War II every American girl realized that she was fortunate to live in, and be a part of, such a country as the United States, but rarely did she ever feel moved enough to become excited on the question of patriotism.

Then—Pearl Harbor broke loose. She saw her husband, brother, father and other relatives marching off! For a while it was something novel, having relatives in uniform, visiting them at camps, showing off pictures of them in uniform.

However, it didn't take long for the women of the world to wake up to the stark reality of war—to recognize the fact that it can break up homes, can cause endless heartbreak—that it just is not the kind of thing the men and women of America want.

The average woman likes her normal, comfortable life with a home, family and friends and she's willing to fight for it. Many "she-sailors and she-soldiers" had a little tussle getting accustomed to military life—getting accustomed to concentrating not on themselves but on marching, studying, and other military routine. At times it's no fun for a woman in the Service to "forward march" with precision

when all she can think of is that letter she hopes to get from the boy overseas or from the man who will soon go "over" to do his bit.

She's proud of her uniform, of her military status and she'll make a success of her new life—in fact, she'll even get to like it—but she's just "marking time" until her men come home again so that she can resume a normal life with her family and friends around her—so that she can raise her children as Americans in the America she's always known and of which she is so proud!

WAVES, and other women in the Service, stationed from one end of our country to the other are doing their jobs well and are all working for a common objective—an Allied victory. So, until our men come home again with that victorious banner, women of the service will "Mark time, March!"

## BARTLETT BINNACLE

"They are either too young or too old" but S2c Colletta Leddin, Section 34, doesn't mind. Her fan mail comes from a fourteen year old admirer, Floyd Kisner—pin boy at a popular bowling alley—who thinks the WAVES are tops.

Scuttlebutt has it that Section 44 broke all records at the dance last Saturday night when a fair Seaman danced, and this is hard to believe, 2½ seconds with a Cadet.

Speaking of Navy backgrounds, here is one that will be hard to beat. S2c A. Valeska Twilligear, Section 34 has the following relatives who are and who have been in the service. Grandfather, B. P. Twilligear, Gunners Mate 1-c, Father V. H. Twilligear, Sr.—Chief Pharmacist Mate during World War I, brother V. H. Twilligear, Jr. BM 1-c in Navy eight years and is now stationed in Alaska. Most interesting of all though, to us, is the part Seaman Twilligear's mother played in the last war. Mrs. Twilligear was the first woman on the west coast to enlist to do Yeoman's work. She was a Yeoman (F).

All interested persons should visit Room 110A during their liberty periods to see the present Virginia Fox, S2c, Section 11, received from a friend in far-off India. Among the treasures are hand embroidered garments and beautifully carved ornaments.

A continuous ringing of a bell caused seamen in Section 31 to break all records for getting out of bed and out to the fire mustering position before the mate of the deck could inform them that it wasn't a fire drill only a "stuck bell."

Terese Cassi's singing was heartily applauded last Thursday when Section 11 held a song fest in the East Lounge.

Jessie Lindsley, S2-c Section 43, received word before leaving Boot School that her father, Master Sergeant G. W. Lindsley, was released from active service in the Army. M-S Lindsley had served 24 years in the Army, and has been in the southwest Pacific for the past 22 months.

If you want to learn to do the Rumba, the way Arthur Murray would teach it and learn it in a hurry too, S2-c Sabina Francis, Section 21 will be glad to teach you. Seaman Francis was an Arthur Murray instructor in Hollywood, California before her enlistment.

When you moan and groan on Friday nights getting ready for Captain's inspection, think of Seaman Blanche Conroy, Section 21, who is fortunate enough to have a private room, but who also has four bunks to make up each week.

Elizabeth Cunningham, S2-c who suffered a serious and painful arm injury when she fell through the glass in the elevator doors by the Main Deck lounge on Christmas eve, has returned from Great Lakes to resume her yeoman training. She suggests that she be allowed to put a zipper in the sleeve of her jacket to satisfy the curiosity of her friends. Welcome back Seaman Cunningham!

Theo Marjorie Adams, S2c, of Section 24 is apparently a nonconformist to family tradition, as her mother is a private in the WAC. Why did you choose the Navy, Seaman Adams?



## Once a Yeoman Always a Yeoman

To be a Yeoman is the sole aim in life for everyone in training at Cedar Falls, but within three months this intensive routine will be finished and done with. There will follow a job with duty-free hours. What to do with them, particularly where entertainment may be scarce?

The Navy offers through its Educational Services Program the opportunity to improve spare hours by pursuing a correspondence course of study either for high school or college credits. The Educational Services Officer at any station (Ensign Sylvia Autio at Cedar Falls) will assist in selecting courses and information may be obtained directly from the U. S. Armed Forces Institute at Madison, Wisconsin.

Once a Yeoman, always a Yeoman? Yeoman training equips one with a skill, but the variety of jobs in which Yeomen are placed often demands additional knowledge. Extension courses at eighty colleges, offered at a semi-tuition rate up to twenty dollars if government sponsored, are an ideal means of filling in background to gain advancement in the WAVES.

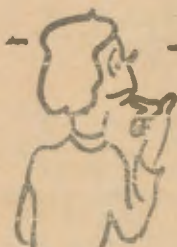
Patriotism and ambition motivated many a WAVE to join up and those same founts of activity should continue to influence one's future. In the post-war world, WAVES will have to compete with those who stayed at home and prepared for the new world; a world with closer relationships between countries, requiring a speaking knowledge of foreign jargons; a world advanced in technology, where science courses taken now might be the guarantee of a good post-war job.

It has been said that "The Navy brings out hidden talents." What better way to pamper a new-found love than to foster its growth by off-duty education?

## Spring is in the Air and In Marching Feet

by T. Gurth

It's a pleasure to step out-of-doors these fine mornings. Mother Nature is getting ready to put on her charming best for the world. The air's so fresh and clear; the sunshine warm and bright. Bold, bright-vested robins have logged in from other parts—sure signs that walks will no longer be lay underfoot. So out, shuffling those GI shod feet, throw back those blue-clothed shoulders and look ahead. There's a zest gained from fine marching that carries itself over into the classroom. Start the day right.



"SHE WAS  
CAUGHT IN  
THE 2130  
RUSH!"



## Frida Monsanto, Native of Virgin Islands, Is Not Homesick 2500 Miles From Home

Shipshape, smart, and seaman-like, describes Frida Monsanto of Section 14. Navy life and love of the sea are first nature with this yeoman candidate who will soon relieve a man for duty. Whoever that may be, he may leave with the assurance that his job will not suffer, for Frida's enthusiasm will never be dimmed. She is blessed with a contagious smile and infectious good humor, and goes about her training with a calmness of only those who are determined to learn all there is to know about this new venture.

Frida was born at Krum Bay, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands. She completed her grade and high school education on the Islands, and, in her vacation periods, spent her time swimming, fishing, sailing and riding horseback. Krum Bay has been in her family for the past eighty years. Her father and grandfather operated a scrapping concern, and Krum Bay was known as "the graveyard for sailing ships." In 1940, Uncle Sam requisitioned these harbor facilities, and Krum Bay became a naval repair base.

Seaman Monsanto is 23. She does not miss St. Thomas too much, for she is sure that the Navy will be her happy second home. Even her previous work experience has been "nautical," for she was employed by a shipbuilding concern. Despite the fact that she is 2500 miles from home, her eyes twinkle when she relates all events leading up to joining

the WAVES.

Frida visited her sister in Reno, in 1941, and, while there, completed a course in secretarial training. It was in Nevada that she saw her first snow. In Reno, too, she first heard of enlistment in the WAVES. However, it was her impression that only a college graduate was eligible. After spending a year in Reno, she returned to her home in the Caribbean, forty miles from Porto Rico, and resumed her duties with the shipping concern.

Interest in the WAVES in no wise abated, and in January, 1944, she flew to Miami, went to her sister's in Reno, enlisted in the Navy and arrived at Hunter on January 27. Frida met no opposition from her family in her desire to come to the States and enter the service. It seemed only the natural and logical thing to do. Her brother, Edwin, is an ensign, now stationed in Boston. Her sister, Ingeborg, living in Reno, is married to Ensign Jack Woodward, and she also has a cousin, Captain Jack Monsanto, who operates a cargo vessel between Florida and the West Indies. All the young men in the Islands, too, had left their homes to fight for their safety and Frida only added to the list of sea-faring Monsantos.

Frida came into the Navy because she felt there was a job somewhere which she could do passably well. Krum Bay's loss may be BuPer's gain. (How did a Washington billet creep into this thumbnail sketch?)

## Meet the Staff

Ensign Virginia Adams

Ensign Virginia Adams, a petite lady with a friendly personality, comes from Terre Haute, Indiana. She has varied interests, loves to dance and she used to enjoy knitting for the Red Cross, but she says "No more—no time." Miss Adams enjoys sports, but prefers them in small doses.

Prior to her work in the WAVES, Miss Adams taught for a year at a small college in Harrisonburg, Virginia, and then at the Oyster Bay High School in Oyster Bay, Long Island. She obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Business Education at Indiana State Teacher's College, and a Master's Degree from New York University.

Ensign Adams had been at Cedar Falls one year on 13 March 1944. At the present time she is excited about her new home, the USS Roger which is located at 25th and Olive and which she shares with five other WR officers.

## WR Officers to be Trained For Air Combat Information Duties

For the first time, officers of the Women's Reserve, U. S. Naval Reserve, will be trained for duty as Air Combat Information Officers. Women are scheduled to enter at least two classes at the Air Combat Information officer school, Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, Rhode Island, for the two months' course.

In general, the duties of an Air Combat Information officer are: briefing and interrogating pilots; preparing and analyzing action reports; and providing information necessary to effective air operations. Women who successfully complete the training course may be assigned to perform these duties at one of the seven Air Combat Information Centers in the United States. They will release men officers for duty at sea or overseas.

It is planned to select most of the candidates for this highly specialized training from among officers already on duty with the Navy. A few billets may be available to certain specially selected new officers upon completion of their indoctrinal courses at the U. S. Naval Reserve Midshipman School, Northampton, Massachusetts.

Lt. (jg) Gladys Hearst and her husband, Charles Hearst returned Thursday from Arkansas where they visited Mrs. Hearst's mother.



## RELIGION

Friday and Saturday, 1830—Catholic Confessions will be heard in the Chaplain's Office.

### SUNDAY—

0715—Muster for Catholic Mass (see Handbook for Directions).

0725—CATHOLIC MASS

0725—Station Choir and Station Service Ushers muster for mess in Main Deck Lounge.

0800—Station Choir Muster—First deck, first wing of Bartlett Hall. Exit "M" to go to rehearsal.

0820—Station Service Ushers muster Main Deck Lounge.

0840—Muster for Station Service. Jewish girls muster Main Deck Lounge.

0900—STATION SERVICE—Auditorium.

0900—JEWISH SERVICE—Faculty Lounge, Gilchrist Hall.

1000—COMMUNION SERVICE—Gilchrist Chapel.

### THURSDAY—

1635—"Stations of the Cross"—Catholic Service in Gilchrist Chapel.

The Chaplain plans to be in his office as much as possible during trainees' free time for personal conferences or for just friendly visits.

## RECREATION

### SATURDAY—

#### SPORTS

Consult Administrative Notice No. 2-44.

Swimming—1600-1700.

Badminton, Basketball, Volleyball, Ping Pong—214G.

Equipment may be obtained from the Physical Education Office from 1330-1600.

For Riding, Bowling, Roller Skating, and Hiking see Special Notice No. 2-44.

#### MOVIES

1930—"Lady in the Dark"—a drama with plenty of music, starring Ginger Rogers, Roy Milland, Warner Baxter and Jon Hall, "Unusual Occupations." News Reel.

#### DANCE

No Dance this week end.

#### USO

Cedar Falls USO Club, 3rd and Clay Street Regular services—Lounges—reading, letter writing, games. Ballroom and late records. Information, etc. Free snack bar. Thread and needle service. Housing (Call Mrs. Geo. Mach at 434 week days or 1601, Saturday and Sunday.)

### SUNDAY—

#### SPORTS

Swimming, Badminton, Basketball, Ping Pong, Volley ball—same as above.

Equipment may be obtained from the Physical Education Office from 1400-1500.

1500-1600—Officers' Swimming.

#### MOVIES

1400—"Up in Arms"—A Samuel Goldwyn Special—Musical — with Danny Kaye, Dinah Shore, Dana Andrews, Constance Dowling. "Private Pluto"—A Disney cartoon. "Co-ed Sports"—a Pathe Sportscope.

#### MUSIC HOUR

1600—East Lounge. Listener's choice.

#### FRIENDLY HOUR

1830—East Lounge—Ens. Helen Berlin will talk on Mexico and show colored slides that she took there.

### TUESDAY—

#### MUSIC HOUR

1830—East Lounge—Professor Wirth will play and discuss Beethoven's Sixth Symphony.

### MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY—

#### SWIMMING

1630-1730—Women's Gymnasium.

## Inter-Platoon B. B. Tourney In Full Swing

The Basketball Tournament, through 21 March, 1944, has had 100% participation. The games played and the scores are as follows:

Platoon 31, (10); Platoon 34, (4)  
Platoon 33, (4); Platoon 34, (6)  
Platoon 11, (10); Platoon 12, (12)  
Platoon 23, (3); Platoon 24, (13)  
Platoon 41, (28); Platoon 42, (2)  
Platoon 43, (13); Platoon 44, (19)  
Platoon 21, (18); Platoon 22, (12)  
Platoon 13, (4); Platoon 14, (21)

The outstanding players of the game were Seaman Paine of Platoon 24, who scored 6 points, Seaman Conrad of Platoon 44 who scored 14 points and Seaman Miller of Platoon 14 scored 14 points.

Two semi-final games will be held on Friday, 24 March, 1944. One at 1630 in room 214 and the other at 1830 in 214.

On Monday 27 March, 1944, at 1630 the semi-final game will be held.

On Tuesday the final game will be held at 1830 in room 214.

The winners of the Platoon Tournaments will play the Officers on Friday 31 March, 1944, in the Men's Gym at 1915.

The physical training departments wish to thank the following college girls for refereeing the games. The girls are Knight, Murphy, Hall, Daly and Merritt.

## Officers and Ship's Company Wind Up Bowling Season

The annual business meeting of the Cedar Falls Women's Bowling Association was held at Mrs. Turnbull's restaurant on College Street after a delicious dinner. Both the Officers' and Ship's Company teams were represented by 100 per cent attendance. Mrs. Ruby Haurum, who has been the president of the organization in Cedar Falls for five years, was presented with a gift from this year's league members for her good work. It was decided at this meeting to give \$15.00 to the "Wings for Victory" fund, the purpose of which is to finance the purchase of an ambulance plane. Last year the Women's International Bowling League contributed enough money to build a giant bomber.

The following prizes were received by the Navy teams:

OFFICERS League	
Team	8th place
SHIP'S COMPANY League	
Team	5th place
High Individual Average,	

## Dress Right, Dress!



It has been suggested that something be said about accessories which are just as important as the uniform itself.

Every WAVE knows, or should know the importance of good grooming, especially now that she is wearing a uniform. With a military uniform any accessory that is not most conservative is definitely out of place.

Uniform regulations state as follows: "No jewelry shall be worn or exposed upon uniform by any officer or enlisted woman of the Navy except the authorized decorations, medals and ribbons."

Make-up and nail polish should not be heavily applied but always in good taste. Bracelets with the exception of identification bracelets and conspicuous rings are not permitted.

The rule on this station is that hair shall be short and not extend below the collar of the uniform. Hair may be checked by the uniforms officer at any time. It should always be kept neat.

Above all, when one is a member of a military organization, the thing to do is be, act and look military. This applies to liberty hours, off-duty hours, as well as when on the job.

### FAMOUS WAVE SAYINGS

"Surrender be damned, we have just begun to write." (Evelyn Williams S2-c)

"Damn the gales, full speed ahead." (Audrey M. Larson, S2-c)

Larson	2nd place
High Individual Series,	
Larson	1st place
Tournament	
Team	3rd place
High Single Game,	
Larson	1st place
All Events, Larson	1st place

The president complimented the Navy teams on their good sportsmanship, especially the officers, since they were handicapped by being beginners at the sport.